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LOUISVILLE DRUG DEALER IS SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS

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- Sentenced for Possessing Substantial Quantities of Both "Crack" And Powder Cocaine for Distribution

FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENSES

LOUISVILLE, KY - Dominique James, age 23, of 1529 South 35th Street, Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, was sentenced to 5 years imprisonment in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for possessing cocaine powder and cocaine base with the intent to distribute these substances, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today. John G. Heyburn, Chief Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced James to 4 years supervised release following incarceration. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

James admitted that on June 8, 2006, he ran a red light at Old Miller's Lane and Cane Run Road in Louisville. A Louisville Metro Police Department ("LMPD") officer saw the traffic violation and stopped the vehicle James was driving. The LMPD officer police asked James to get out of the car and when he did so, the LMPD officer could see several pieces of suspected crack cocaine on the seat of the car. A K-9 drug dog summoned to the scene alerted to the trunk of the vehicle. Police found a bag containing 37.7 grams of crack cocaine, a bag containing 68 grams of powder cocaine, digital scales, a Pyrex bowl with cocaine residue and a baggie containing baking soda in the trunk of the car. James had \$520.00 in cash on him. James

admitted that the quantities of drugs found in the trunk of the car were consistent with the intent to distribute both the crack cocaine and powder cocaine to others.

The estimated street value of the "crack" and powder cocaine involved in the case is \$3,500.00.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Louisville Metro Police Department, as part of ATF's ongoing commitment to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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